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SUBJECT: MANILA PRESS REACTION TO ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

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1. MANILA PRESS HAS TAKEN SAME UPBEAT LINE RE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE AS PRESIDENT DID IN PRIVATE (REFTEL). PRESS MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. CEASEFIRE WILL BE MAINTAINED WITH SUPPORT OF ISLAMIC CONFERENCE. DELEGATES THAN MANJOORSA (MNLF) AND COMMANDANT CISSE (ISLAMIC CONFERENCE) HAVE BEEN ORDERED BACK TO THE PHILIPPINES TO CONTINUE THEIR PEACE MISSION.

B. THE CONFERENCE DIRECTED THE QUADRIPARTITE COMMITTEE
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TO MEDIATE FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE GOP AND THE MNLF, IN CONFORMITY WITH CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS OF PREVIOUS YEARS.

C. NUR MISUARI HAS DROPPED CEMANDS FOR TOTAL IN-DEPENDENCE FOR MINDANAO WHICH HE MADE AT THE OUTSET OF THE TRIPOLI MEETING. HE HAS REVERTED TO HIS ORIGINAL STANCE OF DEMANDING

HIS OWN VERSION OF AUTONOMY. NUR MISUARI
IS REPORTED AS SAYING THAT HE RELENTED UNDER
"FRIENDLY PRESSURE" FROM THE LIBYANS.

2. A CARTOON IN THE DAILY EXPRESS SHOWS A DOVE CARRYING
AN OLIVE BRANCH AND A SUITCASE LABELED "TO RP" FLYING
AWAY FROM A MINARET LABELED "ISLAMIC CONFERENCE." COLUMNIST
VALENCIA OBSERVES "TIME IS ON THE SIDE OF PEACE
IN MINDANAO.
IS THOSE MNLF LEADERS THOUGHT THEY HAD A CHANCE IF THEY
CREATED TROUBLE THEY WOULD HAVE ALREADY DONE SO BY NOW."

3. COMMENT REFTEL APPLIES. VALENCIA MAY BE RIGHT THAT
TIME IS ON THE SIDE OF PEACE IN MINDANAO; IF SO, THERE HAS
BEEN A RATHER BASIC CHANGE IN MORE PSYCHOLOGY. WE DO NOT
YET KNOW FULL EXTENT OF NUR MISUARI'S REACTION TO THE
CONFERENCE'S APPARENTLY MODERATE POSITION, NOR DO WE KNOW
WHAT HIS ORDERS TO HIS FIELD COMMANDERS WILL BE, OR WHETHER
THEY WILL OBEY.

4. FOR TRIPOLI. WOULD APPRECIATE FULL TEXT OF CONFERENCE
RESOLUTIONS DEALING WITH PHILIPPINE QUESTION WHEN AVAILABLE.
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